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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Michael Harris, 24, Atlanta, was sentenced today by Chief U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 10 months in prison and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$17,820 for unauthorized use of a credit card. Harris pleaded guilty to this charge on June 18, 2008.

On August 29, 2008, Harris and Anthony Collingwood used several counterfeit credit cards to withdraw cash from banks in Madison. In addition, Harris and Collingwood used the counterfeit credit cards to purchase meals and clothing.

Collingwood pleaded guilty on August 8, 2008, and is scheduled to be sentenced on November 4, 2008.

The charges against Harris were the result of an investigation conducted by the U.S. Secret Service. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

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